

Can We Have Church Attendance in Summer?

The Times will gladly assist any active churches in proving these contentions.

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And When He (Bartimaeus) Heard That It Was Jesus the Nazarene, He Began to Cry Out, and Say, Jesus, Thou Son of David, Have Mercy On Me. And Jesus Said Unto Him Go Thy Way: Thy Faith Hath made Thee Whole. And Straightway He Received His Sight, and Followed Him In the Way.—Mark. X., 47-52.

At the Metropolitan Baptist Church, Sixth and A streets northeast, the pastor John Compton Ball, preaches his closing sermons for the summer next

Reed, of Riverdale, Md.; evening, the Rev. D. A. Reed, at U. B. Church.

August 3—Morning, the Rev. David A. Reed, of Riverdale, Md.; evening, the Rev. Charles E. Fultz, at Eckington lawn.

August 10—Morning, the Rev. Walter Baker, of Homer, Ill.; evening, the Rev. Walter Baker, at U. B. Church.

August 17—Morning, the Rev. Walter

Leading instrumental and vocal soloists who may be available during the summer will contribute to the musical program. On Sunday evening the musical service will be assisted by H. P. Vearle, soloist; Mr. Klein, precentor; Mrs. Klein, pianist. "The Stupidity of Self-Seeking" will be the subject of the evening sermon.

The Master firmly believed in the thought of "loving thy neighbor" as beautifully expressed in His "first commandment," which He proposed when one of His questioners, a lawyer, asked Him, "Teacher, which is the greatest in the law?" And He said unto him, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind." The second commandment, "And a second like unto this is this: 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.'" On these two commandments the whole law hanketh, and the prophets. The Master realized in giving these two commandments to His followers that if they loved their neighbors as themselves, they would be in a position to speak evil of none of their neighbors and friends.

The Reasons Why.

It is interesting and illuminating to delve into the reasons underlying the injunction not to "speak evil of one another." First, one may thus do untold damage to the reputation of the "downright" person. Second, a long train of evil results, involving innocent third parties who are thus affected. Third, one usually thus damages his own reputation and character. Fourth, a speaker of evil cannot long maintain his own self-

The Rev. John Van Schaick, Jr., is in Utica this week, where he delivers a address at the national convention of the Y. P. C. U., of the Universalist Church, and the Church of the Y. M. C. U. will occupy the pulpit of the First Church, our church, on Madison and L streets northwest, July 13. Dr. Van Schaick will be back for July 20.

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